

FOR: FORMATION OF THE INDIANA CHILD CARE FUND, INC.

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS.

WHEREAS, the Governor recognizes that quality child care is vital to the proper physical, educational, social, and emotional development of Indiana's children; and

WHEREAS, the Governor further recognizes that quality child care is necessary for the continued development and growth of Indiana's workforce; and

WHEREAS, there is an increased demand for and corresponding lack of availability of quality child care for working parents in the State of Indiana; and

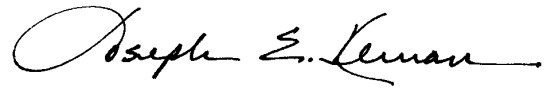
WHEREAS, the State of Indiana and private business leaders have expressed a desire to collectively form a public/private partnership that will be responsible for establishing a permanent funding source to expand and enhance the availability of quality child care to all children residing in Indiana,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Joseph E. Kernan, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby order that:

1. The Indiana Child Care Fund, Inc., shall be established as the vehicle to implement the public/private partnership and shall be charged with undertaking the following activities essential to the well being of the children of Indiana: (a) increase public awareness regarding child care issues, (b) educate child care providers regarding quality child care, (c) raise funds to encourage and support the provision of quality child care, (d) build public/private partnerships intended to create, strengthen, and foster quality child care in Indiana, through statewide initiatives, and (e) foster and support consumer educational programs that promote quality child care.
2. The Governor may appoint up to one-third (1/3) of the directors of Indiana Child Care Fund, Inc., who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
3. The Governor accepts the articles of incorporation of Indiana Child Care Fund, Inc., as previously filed with the Secretary of State, and its bylaws and consents to his participation in the operation of the Indiana Child Care Fund, Inc., as described in the Articles of Incorporation and bylaws.
4. The Governor acknowledges and affirms that Indiana Child Care Fund, Inc., shall be organized and operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, and shall serve the public purpose of expanding and enhancing the availability of quality child care for all children residing in Indiana.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, Joseph E. Kernan, have hereunto set my hand and

caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the
State of Indiana on this 28th day of
October, 2003.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Joseph E. Kernan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Joseph E. Kernan
Governor of Indiana

ATTEST: Todd Rokita
 Secretary of State